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City of Frankfort SEWER DEPARTMENT OUARTERLY UPDATE

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Sewer Department Purchases New Vactor Jet Rodder

The Vactor 2100 Series offers a proprietary system of integrated components, specifically designed for sewer cleaning applications. These components work together to deliver maximum cleaning power and efficiency. This system offers a wider variety of cleaning techniques. This unit performs the functions of cleaning sewer lines with high pressure washing which enables us to clean the lines more efficiently. It also offers a vacuum system which allows removal of solids and debris from wet wells and manholes. It also includes hydro excavating which will assist in digging without the costly damage to other utilities. This saves time on small jobs and spot repairs.

Instruction and training was given to the sewer collection system personnel in operating, maintenance and safety procedures. The Sewer Department purchased the new Vactor in August for \$200,870 to replace the 1985 Aqua Tech Jet Rodding system.

If you would like more information on the new Vactor system, please contact Chip Gill, Collection System Supervisor at (502) 875-2448.

GIS UPDATE: The Sewer Department, along with Public Works, currently has a pilot project ongoing to collect the data necessary to build a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) database in the Holmes Street corridor. This project is being used to develop standards for implementation of system-wide GIS. Stay tuned for further information.

CONTRACT AWARDED: The Sewer Department recently awarded a contract to PEH Engineers to assist in preparation of a Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) for the Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO's) in the system.



The Sewer Department will provide a speaker for school presentations and club or organization meetings. Please contact us at (502) 875-2448 for scheduling.



Reminder: Sewer tap inspections should be scheduled one day in advance whenever possible. With advance scheduling, the sewer collection personnel will be able to serve the community in a more efficient and timely manner.

Got any ideas on how to improve our service? Give us a call.

How To Reach Us: Phone: (502) 875-2448 Fax: (502) 223-8757

- William R. Scalf, Jr., P.E., Director
- Robert Barker, Deputy for Collection System Operation &
- Expansion
- Robert Oerther, Deputy Director of Operations
- Carol Atha, Administrative Aide

Employee Tidbits

Congratulations are in order for Glen Sanford and Dennis Blair who recently qualified and completed Landfarm Operators Certification through the Commonwealth of Kentucky Division of Waste Management.

Welcome on Board—Wade McDonald joined our department as an Electrician in September, 2001. He was employed at Buffalo Trace Distillery. Wade and his wife, Karen and five daughters live in Frankfort. He enjoys fishing and all types of hunting especially deer hunting.

We want to thank the following retirees for their dedication and contributions to the Sewer Department.

- Bert W. Beckham, Electrical/Pump Maintenance Superintendent retired July 31, 2001 with 22 years of service
- Willett Lee, Senior Plant Operator retired August 31, 2001 with 21 years of service
- Dennis Blair, Plant Operator III retired August 31, 2001 with 20 years of service

DO YOU KNOW OUR HISTORY ...

Over 2,800 years ago, the fabled King Minos of Crete owned the world's first flushing water closet, complete with a wooden seat. Lost for centuries in the rubble of the palace ruins, the invention did not materialize again until 1594. Then, Sir John Harington built a "prive in perfection" for his godmother, Queen Elizabeth to use in Richmond Palace and one for himself at his humbler estate. Once he published his pompous book of terrible puns and off-color jokes about the new device in 1596 A New Discourse of a State Subject, Called the Metamorphosis of Ajax, the ridicule and scorn would hound him for the rest of his days, and he never built another one. ("Ajax" was the slang in those days for a privy or "a jakes") To the world's misfortune, another 200 years would pass before the idea took hold again.

Focus on Eugene Moore, Jr. Plant Maintenance Assistant



Eugene began employment with the Sewer Department in December, 1988 as a Plant Operator in the wastewater treatment plant. This spring, he was certified through the Commonwealth of Kentucky Division of Water as a Class IV Operator in wastewater treatment.

As a part of his duties, he performs preventive maintenance activities as well as repairs and/or replaces equipment systems. He also assists in maintaining inventory records and reports. Eugene works closely with vendors performing service calls and work performed by private contractors when necessary. Eugene has the unique ability to diagnose mechanical failures and determines the necessary repair or replacement requirements needed.

In his spare time, Eugene enjoys hunting, fishing, camping and spending time with his family and friends.

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